

## UNIBEN student attending NUGA games drowns in River Benue

A yet-to-be-identified University of Benin student has drowned in River Benue, on the closing day of Nigeria University Games Association (NUGA) in Makurdi, the Benue State capital, the ***News Agency of Nigeria (NAN)*** has reported.

The chairman, NUGA games medical and sanitation sub-committee, Dr Omeche Onoja, confirmed

the incident.

The name of the student was not disclosed, but Onoja said the student had gone to the river to swim when the incident occurred.

She said his corpse had been deposited at the Madonna Hospital in Makurdi.

"We had a distress call from some students of the situation, but on reaching the river, we found the body

of the student, who has been identified by his colleagues.

"He was said to have participated in some games.

"The whole incident could have been avoided," Dr Onoja lamented.

This year's NUGA games was hosted by the Federal University of Agriculture, Makurdi (UAM) and 57 universities participated.